Kosher Foods Under Forced Jewish Monopoly

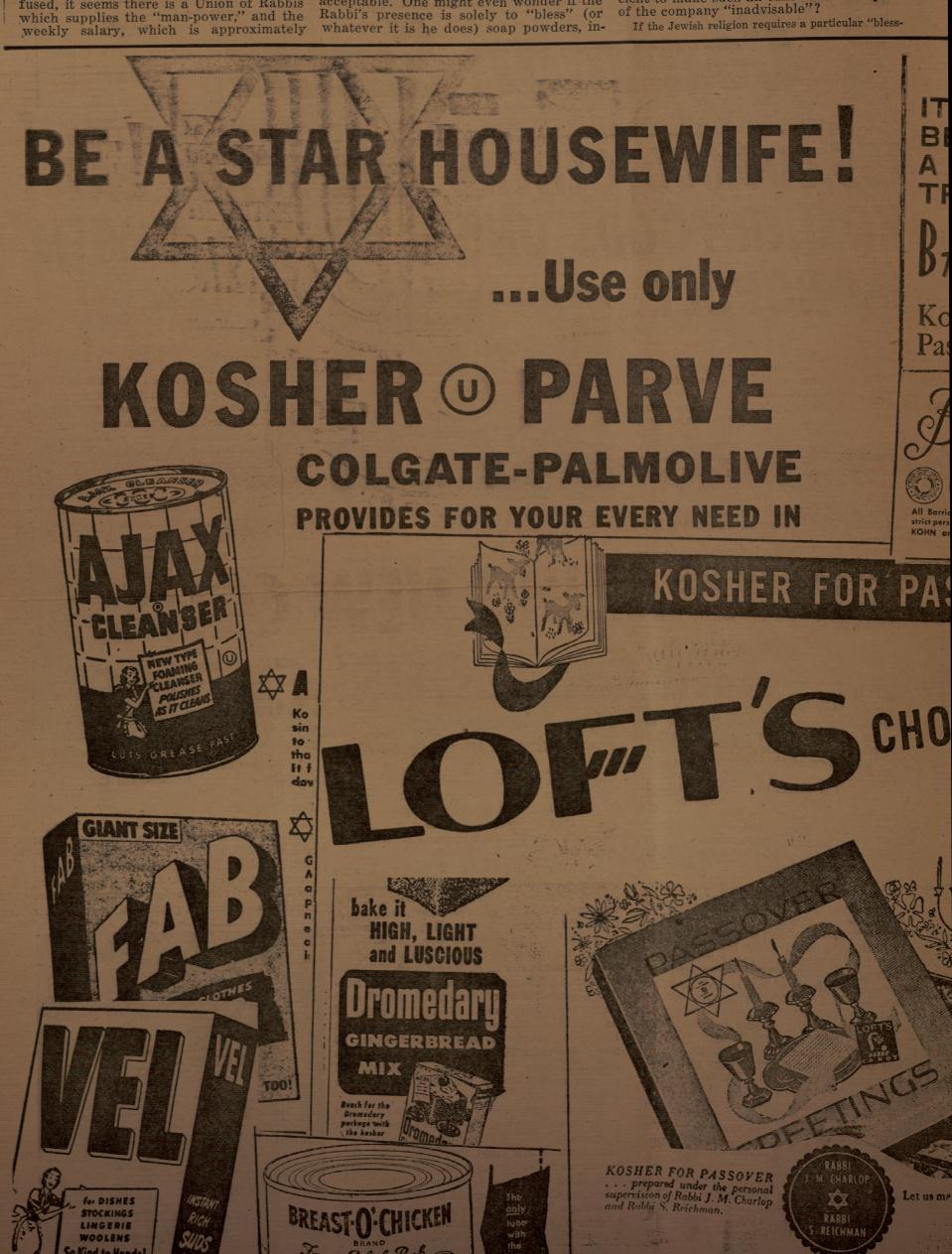
(Continued from Page 1) dairies, food packaging plants and the like dairies, food packaging plants and the like that market products bearing the Kosher symbol. All the city requires is that there is a Rabbi on the premises when the inspectors appear on the scene. Although the whole set-up is rather hushed-up and confused, it seems there is a Union of Rabbis which supplies the "man-power," and the weekly salary, which is approximately

\$125 per week, is paid by the taxpayer. Kosher means "clean." One of the lead-

ing wines for general consumption is advertised as having a "kosher flavor" — whatever that means! The Pure Food and Drug Laws, Laws of Sanitation, etc., which control those concerned with the preparation and packaging of food products are apparently not capable to assure the cleanliness of a product. No one knows exactly what is done, if anything, to make such products acceptable. One might even wonder if the Rabbi's presence is solely to "bless" (or whatever it is he does) soap powders, instant coffees, and such.

What sort of pressure is exerted on those Christian-owned and operated industries to force them to avail themselves of the "services" of the Rabbi? It cannot be solely for the purpose of insuring the purchase of their products by the Jewish population. The percentage of Jews among the consumers is too small to attach that great an importance to it. Is it not more likely that the tremendous control exerted by this minority in other channels would be sufficient to make such an omission on the part of the company "inadvisable"?

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